BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Western

Wireless, Bellevue, Washington,
seeking funding approval for
recurring and non-recurring
costs of Enhanced Wireless 911
implementation and closing prior
docket.

Application No. 911-022.06

ORDER INCORPORATING PRIOR
DOCKET AND CLOSING PRIOR

DOCKET

Entered: April 25, 2007

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Commission approved a written request for funding received June 11, 2002, wherein Western Wireless, Bellevue, Washington, sought funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund to provide enhanced wireless 911 service to the following public safety answering points (PSAPs): Adams, Antelope, Arthur, Banner, Blaine, Boone, Boyd, Brown, Buffalo, Burt, Butler, Cass, Cedar, Chase, Cherry, Clay, Colfax, Cuming, Custer, Dakota, Dawson, Dixon, Dodge, Dundy, Fillmore, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gage, Garfield, Gosper, Grant, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Hitchcock, Holt, Hooker, Howard, Jefferson, Johnson, Kearney, Keith, Keya Paha, Knox, Lancaster, Lincoln, Logan, Loup, Madison, McPherson, Merrick, Nance, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Pawnee, Perkins, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Red Willow, Richardson, Rock, Saline, Saunders, Seward, Sherman, Stanton, Thayer, Thomas, Thurston, Valley, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Wheeler, and York Counties.

Western Wireless sought initial non-recurring costs and recurring costs to implement and provide enhanced wireless 911 service for the above-listed PSAPs. Initial costs were for data facility engineering labor, circuits, charges, database upgrades, project management and other operations costs. Recurring costs were monthly fees for data circuits, facility charges, ongoing engineering labor, database management and project management. Western Wireless was subsequently acquired by Alltel Wireless, including all Western Wireless cell sites and customers.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

This Order is being processed pursuant to *Neb. Rev. Stat.* §§ 86-444 to 86-456 (2006 Supp.), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, and Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002.

As an initial matter, the Commission finds consistent with its order entered in Docket 911-022 on July 18, 2006, that all

filings and orders entered in Docket WSP-006 shall be incorporated into the present docket by this reference.

Any costs requested in relation to this Order are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465(2)(a) (2006 Supp.).

All costs have been incurred to implement enhanced wireless 911 service, and may include the following: (a) the portion of the costs for new equipment used for providing enhanced wireless 911 service; (b) costs to lease another vendor's equipment or services to provide enhanced wireless 911 service; (c) costs to create or maintain any database or database elements used solely for enhanced wireless 911 service; and (d) other costs of establishing enhanced wireless 911 service.

Western Wireless submitted an implementation plan in compliance with Commission Docket No. 911-001.

Attached hereto in Appendix A is a summary of approved funding for Western Wireless to be paid from the Fund. All amounts previously approved will be paid according to the amounts set forth in Appendix A as of the effective date of this order. The Commission will utilize Appendix A as the basis to review and ensure the correctness of all prior payments. Information set forth in Appendix A shall be treated as proprietary and confidential.

Western Wireless shall comply with all reporting requirements set forth in § 86-459. Failure to do so could result in delay or loss of funding.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that all filings and orders entered in Dockets WSP-006 shall be incorporated into the present docket by this reference.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Western Wireless's funding should be granted as outlined herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any future payments made to Alltel Wireless in relation to the cell sites and customers of Western Wireless after the effective date of this order shall be consistent with Appendix A unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 25th day of April, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director